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Editors' Note

Recognizing Leadership, Dedication & Perseverance

Welcome to the first edition of the Western Undergraduate Economics Review. In the fall of the year 2000, a senior student named Logan McLeod envisioned a journal that would honour Western's economics faculty and department. Logan; now alumni, entrusted the enterprise to three chief editors who took it upon themselves to establish the review in the spring of 2002. With no budget, onslaughts of sceptic criticism and doubt; the three armed themselves with faith, dedication and perseverance. A year later an economics review was created, recognizing one of Western's proudest achievements.

The journal itself is dedicated to the students of the Economics Faculty at the University of Western Ontario, which offers one of the most prestigious economics undergraduate degrees in North America. The main objective of the review is to recognize the work of honours economics students by publishing their papers; allowing other students and faculties in Ontario to appreciate them. The works published in the journal were selected based on their quality and academic merit.

The golden reputation of Western's Economics Faculty was established decades before the creation of this journal. Many professors, students and staff worked to build and expand the faculty, so it may take its place amongst the best Universities in the world. It is our hope that this journal will continue to grow and expand for future generations.

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